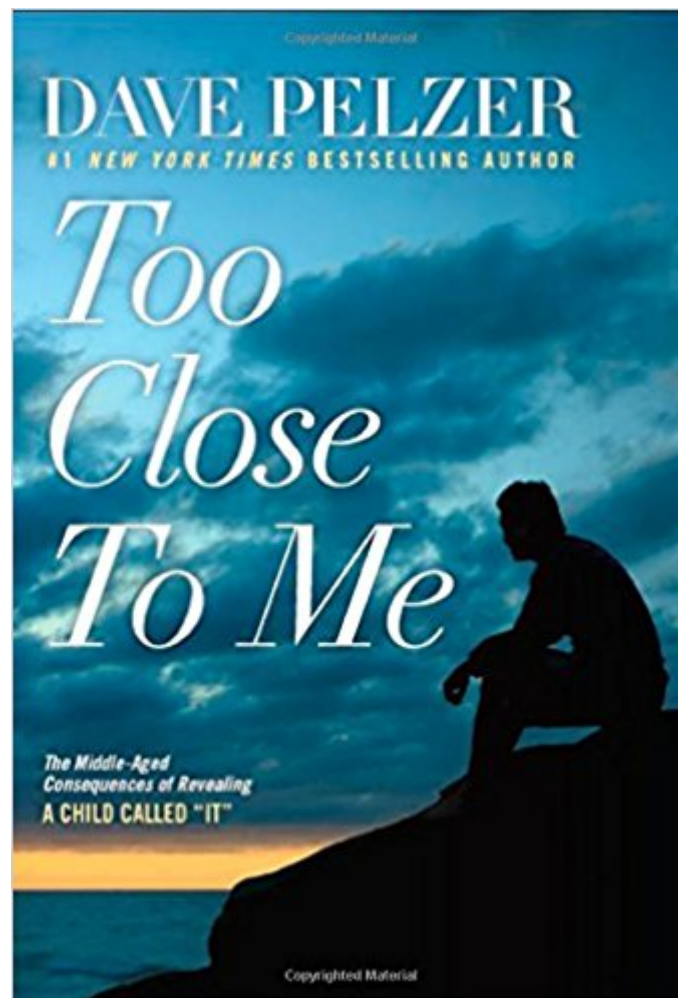




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# Too Close To Me: The Middle-Aged Consequences Of Revealing A Child Called "It"



## Synopsis

In the blockbuster autobiography *A Child Called It*, Dave Pelzer shared the story of his childhood—one of the most dramatic and extreme stories of child abuse ever prosecuted in the state of California. As a child, Pelzer was beaten, starved, and abused both emotionally and physically by his alcoholic and mentally unstable mother. As a man, Pelzer went on to have love, happiness, a fulfilling career, and his own family. To many, Pelzer seemed to have found his happy ending. But for a child abuse survivor, living a normal adult life carries challenges and complications above and beyond those faced by most people. This book, the fifth in Pelzer's nonfiction series, provides an honest and courageous look at the difficulties inherent in marriage, parenthood, work, and life from the perspective of someone who survived horrific physical and emotional terrors as a child—and who seeks to meet the responsibilities and complications of adult life with love, strength, and an open heart.

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From the #1 New York Times and #1 International best selling author of *A Child Called It* comes Dave Pelzer's captivating memoir about navigating adult life as a childhood abuse survivor.

As a child, Dave Pelzer was horribly abused, beaten, and neglected by a mother who faced alcohol addiction as well as mental health issues. His was the worst case of child abuse ever recorded in the state of California, and his life was saved only when an attentive teacher stepped in. Pelzer later grew up in the foster care system, and went on to write several bestselling memoirs—including *A Child Called It*, *The Lost Boy: A Foster*

Child's Search for the Love of a Family, and A Man Named Dave: A Story of Triumph and Forgiveness. Dave Pelzer is the author of numerous inspirational books and is a sought-after public speaker. He is the recipient of the Jefferson Awards for Public Service, the National Jefferson Award, and the Ten Outstanding Young Persons of the World Award, among others.

It is because of this book I am now Kindle capable! It's my first e-book and I was so excited I read it in one sitting - another first for me. The book was really good and informative. Dave has certainly led a busy life. I felt exhausted just reading about all the travel and pressure. The end of the book indicated he is now living a much more peaceful life. I also hope he has cut loose all the financial sponges in his life.

It was good to see how far Dave has come after the horrendous treatment he received from his mother while growing up before finally being removed from that situation. Obviously he has had much to overcome over the years and his experiences have been stepping stones to where he is now. I'm glad to see he has been able to find happiness! I don't care for any foul language in any book, and that is why I'm giving it 4 stars.

My wife has all of David's books. She enjoys them all.

Enjoyed very much !!

Having met the author personally a number of years ago, I am so glad to have read "the rest of his story." I admire him for being able to put his thoughts, fears, hopes, and dreams into writing. This is an excellent book...a "must read" for those who have read his other books. This is Dave's "coming full circle" book.

My cousin wanted to read this book, so I bought her this to read. She read all of his books.. and she gets something out of his writing and enjoyed it.

A good book.

This book is especially interesting since my husband and I have had many foster teen-agers who have had similar issues. This book is very well written and very true to life as too many endure it.

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